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UM JOURNALISM STUDENT PLACES IN HEARST COMPETITION

MISSOULA --

Molly Wood, a University of Montana-Missoula School of Journalism student, placed 16th in the 1996-97 intercollegiate writing competition sponsored by the William Randolph Hearst Foundation.

She competed against 60 students from 34 universities in the spot news writing competition. Her entry was a story on the arrest of Unabomber suspect Ted Kaczynski.

Wood is from Bismarck, N.D. and is working for the Associated Press in Helena this summer. She will graduate with a bachelor's degree in journalism from UM later this year. A 1993 graduate of Bismarck High School, she is the daughter of Linda Garding Wood of Bismarck and Robert Wood of Helena.

The Hearst program provides more than \$300,000 in scholarships and awards annually through competition open to students from 101 accredited undergraduate journalism programs in colleges and universities across the nation.

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